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12. [ ] LEGISLATION Stood by in the Capitol for any possible assistance required in connection with the Giaimo amendment to the Defense Appropriations bill which would require a line item in the bill for CIA. After extended discussion, which started late yesterday, ceased at 6:00 p.m., and then resumed at 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., the Giaimo amendment was defeated by a vote of 267 to 147. The major comments against the amendment were made by Representatives George Mahon (D., Texas), Lucien Nedzi (D., Mich.), Jack Edwards (R., Ala.), C.W. Bill Young (R., Fla.), Jack Kemp (R., N.Y.), and J. Kenneth Robinson (R., Va.). The principal arguments against the amendment were: disclosure of trends; a first step leading to further disclosures; it would not provide any more information than is now available to the members; the figure would be meaningless without disclosure of its components which would be required to defend against cuts and increases, and finally, any decision would be premature since the Select Committees were studying this issue.

13. [ ] LEGISLATION In return of our earlier call, spoke with Bob Vagley, Director, Subcommittee on Labor Standards, House Committee on Education and Labor, and he said that Representative John Dent (D., Pa.) was convinced of the merits of the arguments against an open budget for CIA.

14. [ ] LIAISON Talked to Mary Leslie, Secretary to Representative Samuel Stratton (D., N.Y.), about Mr. Stratton's speaking to a group of our LA Division chiefs of stations and asked her if the Representative would be interested in having breakfast with the Director and some Agency representatives at 0800 on Tuesday, 21 October and then speak to the group from 0900 to 1000. Ms. Leslie said she would speak with Mr. Stratton and let us know.

15. [ ] BRIEFING Called Bill Hogan, Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, and asked him if the briefing of the Special Subcommittee on Intelligence was still scheduled for Monday, 6 October. Hogan said it would be but that they were trying for Thursday, 9 October. Hogan said he would get to us tomorrow with further details.